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History and Final Disposition

HP1405

Communication from the Secretary of State: Certifying Citizen Initiative Petition Entitled "An Act to Impose Limits on Real and Personal Property Taxes" (IB 4, LD 1893). Final Disposition: Ordered Placed on File in Concurrence 03/02/04.

LD 1893 / IB0004

An Act To Impose Limits on Real and Personal Property Taxes. Referred to Joint Standing Committee on Taxation. Public Hearing 03/08/04. Ought Not to Pass Pursuant to Joint Rule 310 04/16/04. Final Disposition: Failed at Referendum 11/02/04 (In favor: 271,636; Opposed: 458,369).

SP0782

Joint Order, Requesting an Opinion of the Justices on the Constitutionality of IB 4, LD 1893, "An Act to Impose Limits on Real and Personal Property Taxes." Presented by Senator STANLEY of Penobscot; Cosponsored by Representative LEMOINE of Old Orchard Beach and Senators: NASS of York, STRIMLING of Cumberland, Representatives: CLOUGH of Scarborough, COURTNEY of Sanford, LERMAN of Augusta, McCORMICK of West Gardiner, McGOWAN of Pittsfield, PERRY of Bangor, SIMPSON of Auburn, SUSLOVIC of Portland, TARDY of Newport. Final Disposition: Passed in Concurrence 03/29/04.

SP0803

Joint Order, Ordering a Special Election to Be Held at the Statewide Election in June 2004 for the Purpose of Submitting to the Electors IB 4, LD 1893, "An Act To Impose Limits on Real and Personal Property Taxes." Presented by Senator GAGNON of Kennebec. In House: Failed Passage 04/28/04. In Senate: Indefinitely Postponed 04/29/04. Final Disposition: Died Between Houses 04/29/04.

SP0811

Opinion of the Justices, Relating to the Constitutionality of IB 4, LD 1893, "An Act To Impose Limits on Real and Personal Property Taxes." Final Disposition: Ordered Placed on File in Concurrence 04/29/04.

Original Bill

[LD 1893 \(121st Legis. 2004\)](#)

Analyst's Summary of Bill

[LD 1893](#)

Committee Materials

Joint Standing Committee on Taxation

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Floor Proceedings and Debate

[HOUSE, March 2, 2004 \(H1278-1290\)](#)

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[SENATE, March 2, 2004 \(S1306-1324\)](#)

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[HOUSE, April 16, 2004 \(H1708-1749\)](#)

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[SENATE, April 16, 2004 \(S1646-1683\)](#)

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[HOUSE, April 28, 2004 \(H1762-1782\)](#)

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[HOUSE, April 29, 2004 \(H1783-1834\)](#)

- p. H-1787 (Remarks)

[SENATE, April 29, 2004 \(S1724-1777\)](#)

- p. S-1739

News Articles

Tax panel weighs cap proposal (Higgins, A.J.) (Bangor Daily News, 3/9/2004, p. A1, A2) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121242.pdf)

Under the cap (Bangor Daily News, 3/12/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121160.pdf)

Tax cap ruling sought by MMA (Higgins, A.J.) (Bangor Daily News, 3/13/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121170.pdf)

AG finds Palesky tax plan flawed (Bell, Tom) (Portland Press Herald, 3/18/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121256.pdf)

Businessman to form tax-cap group (Bangor Daily News, 3/19/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121262.pdf)

Baldacci concurs: Tax cap has flaws (Portland Press Herald, 3/19/2004, p. 2B) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121263.pdf)

Court should examine viability of tax proposal (Portland Press Herald, 3/19/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121265.pdf)

'Solemn' issue faces Taxation Committee (Cover, Susan M.) (Kennebec Journal, 3/23/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121267.pdf)

The Palesky tax cap (Ellsworth American, 3/25/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121285.pdf)

Panel outlines possible tax-relief compromise (Quinn, Francis X.) (Kennebec Journal, 3/31/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121306.pdf)

Senate close to deciding on date of tax-cap vote (Cover, Susan M.) (Kennebec Journal, 4/13/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121355.pdf)

Court: Part of tax cap unlawful (Cover, Susan M.) (Kennebec Journal, 4/17/2004, p. A1, A2) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121479.pdf)

Part of tax cap found unconstitutional (Bell, Tom) (Portland Press Herald, 4/17/2004) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121373.pdf)

Tax cap appears headed toward November vote (Cover, Susan M.) (Kennebec Journal, 4/29/2004, p. B6) • (Available on request—please include the following citation: 121/LD18xx/nc121-LD-1893/SB121495.pdf)

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